

# Tax Recovery and Criminal Enforcement Task Force Executive Board Meeting 621 Capitol Mall, Suite 2114, Sacramento, CA 95814 September 17, 2014

## Agenda

Open Session: 10:00 a.m.

## **Discussion Items**

- 1. July 16, 2014, Minutes
- 2. MOU
  - Section XIII, Asset Forfeiture proposal to change from Asset Forfeiture to Asset Forfeiture and Restitution and a change on page 8.
- 3. Reports
  - Quarterly Inspection Reports (January March 2014, April June 2014)
- 4. Election of Vice Chairman
- 5. LA Task Force Expansion
- 6. Audit Resources for TRaCE Task Force Cases
- 7. Status Reports
  - TRaCE Website
  - TRaCE Complaint Form
  - TRaCE Trifold
  - Outreach

Closed Session: Immediately follows the conclusion of Open Session

- 1. Potential Cases for Collaboration
- 2. Report of TRaCE Activities Task Force Commander



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Meeting called to order at 10:20 a.m. by Randy Silva, Chairman, TRaCE Executive Board

Members Present:	
Randy Silva, Chairman, BOE	$Y \boxtimes N \square$
Peter Williams, Deputy Attorney General, DOJ	$Y \boxtimes N \square$
Gloria Pingrey, Special Agent in Charge, DOJ	$Y \square N \boxtimes$
Dan Gonzalez, Chief, FTB Investigations	$Y \boxtimes N \square$
Lisa Schmith, Chief, EDD Investigations, Honorary	$Y \square N \boxtimes$
John Gliatta, Assitant Special Agent in Charge, FBI	$Y \boxtimes N \square$
Eric Hirata, Deputy Division Chief, ABC	$Y \boxtimes N \square$
Michael Tsang, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, DHS	$Y \square N \square$

### **Members Absent:**

Gloria Pingrey, Special Agent in Charge, DOJ, Lisa Schmith, Chief, EDD Investigations, Michael Tsang, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, DHS

### **Discussion Items:**

- July 16, 2014, Minutes
  - o Peter Williams motioned to approve the July 16, 2014, Minutes. Motion was second by Dan Gonzalez.
  - Vote: 5 in favor, 0 opposedResolved: Motion Carried

### • MOU

- O Section XIII. Asset Forfeiture Request to change "Asset Forfeiture" to "Asset Forfeiture and Restitution." Also, on page 8, under Asset Forfeiture and Restitution there was a proposal to change "Any such investigative fees shall only be submitted to the Task Force after restitution to any applicable victims has been given consideration." to "Any such investigative fees may be submitted to the Task Force after restitution to any applicable victims has been given consideration."
- Chairman Silva motioned to approve the proposed changes to the MOU. Motion was second by Peter Williams.
- Vote: 5 in favor, 0 opposedResolved: Motion Carried
- Reports Quarterly Inspection Reports (January March 2014, April June 2014)
  - Gloria Pingrey sent an email to Chairman Silva notifying the Task Force Board that the third and fourth quarter audits have been performed and there were no irregularities discovered.

### • Election of Vice Chairman

- o Peter Williams nominated John Gliatta to be the Vice Chairman of the TRaCE Executive Board. Motion was second by Chairman Silva.
- Vote: 5 in favor, 0 opposedResolved: Motion Carried

### Resolved: Motion Call

- LA Task Force Expansion
  - o The MOU is being reviewed by the FBI.
  - The LA TRaCE Task Force will be located in the City of Commerce at the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice is funding the DAG position that will be located on the LA TRaCE Task Force.
  - o A Special Agent Supervisor is TBD.
- Audit Resources for TRaCE Task Force Cases
  - o Chairman Silva expressed the need to have audit staff working in tandem with investigators on identifying potential tax loss to the taxing agencies. In response, the members agreed to look into identifying resources.
- Status Reports
  - o TRaCE Website
    - The website is ready to "go live." The TRaCE website will be presented to the Board of Equalization Board Members at the September 23, 2014, Board Meeting. The website will be released for public access shortly thereafter.
    - Other agencies are being solicited to have the TRaCE link added to their websites.
    - Next step is to meet with the CIO Office to add the TRaCE website link to the State of California website.
  - o TRaCE Complaint Form and TRaCE Trifold
    - The paper complaint form and Trifold will go through a clearance process before they are available to the public and both will be available on the TRaCE website.
  - o Outreach
    - Kevin Ferreira provided a hand out with meetings that he attended and upcoming meetings. Kevin Ferreira provided a list of all organizations that are partnering with TRaCE.
    - Kevin Ferreira is going to focus on meeting with more business and law enforcement organizations to partner with TRaCE.

Next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2014, at 10 a.m., at 621 Capitol Mall, Room 2114.

Open session meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m. by Randy Silva, Chairman, TRaCE Executive Board.